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**Amendments to the Specifications**

Please replace the section entitled "Cross Reference to Related Applications" with the following amended section:

Cross Reference to Related Applications

The present application is a continuation of patent application having United States Serial No. 09/662,044, filed 15 September 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,733,471, which is a continuation of and claims priority to International Application No. PCT/US99/05679 (published as International Publication No. WO 99/47190), filed 15 March 1999 and designating the United States, which in turn claims priority from Provisional Application No. 60/078,054, filed 16 March 1998, the entire disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 20, with the following amended paragraph:

Another complication of surgical procedures that involve ~~CPG~~ CPB is excessive bleeding. A recently approved drug known as aprotinin can effectively reduce blood loss and decrease the need for transfusions. Aprotinin was studied for use mainly in heart surgery because the circulation of the blood outside the body in this surgery increases the likelihood of excessive bleeding during and after surgery.